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1. BLUE HOUSE BUGGING. REACTION TO AMB PORTER'S STATEMENT COVERED IN SEPTTEL.
2. KIM DONG-JO. CHOSUN ILBO QUOTES AMB KIM YONG-SIK AT AIRPORT INTERVIEW: "U.S. CONGRESS SHOULD RESPECT VIENNA CONVENTION; FACE-TO-FACE TALKS BETWEEN KIM DONG-JO AND CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR U.S. AUTHORITIES IN SEOUL OR THIRD COUNTRY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED; I AM NOT BRINGING ANY ALTERNATIVE PLAN TO WASHINGTON OR ANY CONVENIENT MEANS FOR KIM'S TESTIMONY; THERE WILL BE NO PRIVATE CONTACT WHATSOEVER."
3. TITO PROPOSAL. AMB KIM AT AIRPORT REFERRED TO DPRK ATTEMPT TO ISOLATE US FROM ORK AND ADDED "THE TRY OF PYONGYANG FOR TALKS WITH WASHINGTON IS UNREALISTIC"; ON TRIPARTITE
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TALKS, HE IS QUOTED, "IT IS REALLY FAR FROM BEING REALIZED"; "FOR THE TRIPARTITE TALKS, HE CONTINUED, THE PREREQUISITE CONDITION IS THAT NORTH KOREA SHOULD ACCEPT THE JUNE 23, 1974 DECLARATION, AGREEING TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ENSURE PEACE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA." (KOREA

TIMES). EDITORIALS CONTINUE OPPOSITION TO PROPOSAL:
"PROBLEMS RELATED TO TENSE MILITARY SITUATION IN KOREA
SHOULDN'T BE DISCUSSED BASICALLY OR PRACTICALLY WITHOUT
PARTICIPATION OF PRC...WE ARE OPPOSED TO 3-WAY TALKS"
(HANKUK ILBO); "RESUMPTION OF SOUTH-NORTH DIALOGUE IS
PREREQUISITE TO ANY MULTILATERAL INT'L CONFERENCE"
(KOREA HERALD)

4. PTS. LARGE FRONT PAGE COVERAGE RESUMES FOR PTS WITH
WIRE SERVICE COVERAGE OF HIS PUBLIC TESTIMONY.
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